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Inventor: Ronald P. Cocchi et al.

Serial No.: 10/085,860

Filed: February 28, 2002

For: ASYNCHRONOUS CONFIGURATION

- > Amendment Transmittal
- > Amendment in response to PTO Action dated October 18, 2005

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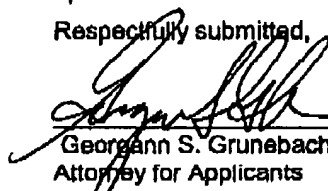
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required to respond to the Office Action dated October 18, 2005. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.
- ☒ No additional fee for claims is required.
- ☒ The claims have been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED							
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TOTAL CLAIMS	63 minus	60*	=	0	x	\$ 50.00	\$ -0-
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4 minus	4*	=	1	x	\$ 200.00	\$ -0-
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS					x	\$ 360.00	\$ -0-
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:							\$ -0-

Charge \$-0- to Deposit Account No. 50-0383 of The DIRECTV Group, Inc. (formally Hughes Electronics Corporation), El Segundo, California. Please charge any additional fees for claims or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0383. If any additional extension fee is required, please charge to Deposit Account No. 50-0383.

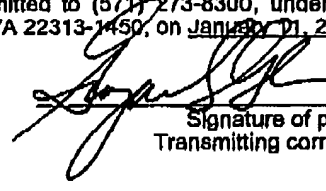
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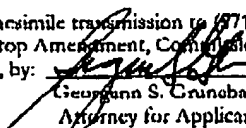
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 18, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows.